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KNOCKED DOWN BY LORRY

CHILD'S GRAVE INJURIES

Very severe head injuries were sustained by a six-year-old Ramsgate schoolboy who was knocked down by an Army lorry in London-road, Ramsgate, shortly after midday on Monday.

A pupil at St. Lawrence School, the boy is Tony Pidduck, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Pidduck, of Rose Ridge, Mayforth-gardens, Ramsgate.

Having left school, Tony was on his way home to dinner. He was with a number of other children and passing behind a towed lorry which was coming up the London-road opposite the entrance to Nethercourt-gardens he was knocked down by a lorry being driven down the hill.

The child was taken to hospital in one of the lorries.

Tony's father is serving with the Royal Army Service Corps in the north.

TIME FOR REFLECTION

SOLDIER WHO STOLE MIRROR

A 21-year-old soldier who stole a mirror and a wall case from a barber's shop was sentenced to two months' imprisonment by Ramsgate magistrates on Monday.

Gnr. Anthony Riskewic pleaded guilty to stealing the articles, value £5, the property of Edwin Hurlin, between 13th and 16th January.

D/C Honey said when he saw Riskewic on 12th February he said the mirror and the case were his property and he bought them from a man with a barrow for 5s. At the police station witness told defendant the articles had been stolen from 144 High-street. Defendant then said "All right. I took them from a barber's shop near the Oddfellows'."

The officer read a statement made by defendant in which he said that about four weeks previously he went out for the evening and with another soldier visited various public-houses. When "turning-out" time came he suggested that they should go to the empty barber's shop and take for use in their billet the mirror, which he had seen through the damaged window of the shop. He entered the shop and handed out to his companion the mirror and wall case. He hung them in the bathroom at the billet but on 7th February decided to send them home to his mother.

"When I took them from the barber's shop I had had plenty to drink," the statement continued. "I did it more or less as a joke."

D/S Honey said the shop, which was damaged by enemy action about two years ago, was entered by way of a hole in the felt covering the window.

C/I Butcher said defendant was called up for military service on 11th June last. He had previously been employed at iron and steel works and as a transport driver.

ON THE BEAT

LIGHT AT SPECIAL CONSTABLE'S OFFICE

While S/C Leonard Dennis Lopes, of Ramsgate-road, Broadstairs, was on duty on the evening of 1st February, two of his colleagues in the regular force were extinguishing a light which had been left burning at his offices in High-street.

As a result Mr. Lopes was fined £1 at the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday, for infringing the black-out regulations.

P/S Jayes said he was with R/P/C Barnes in Carlton-avenue at 7.45 p.m. when he saw a light shining from the first floor window of defendant's office in High-street. There was no one on the premises and he had to break a small pane of glass in the front door in order to extinguish the light. It was coming from a 40-watt bulb, painted blue, with a piece of brown paper over it. There were only lace curtains to the window.

Mr. M. Borg, who appeared for defendant, an accountant, said the light was in a room used as a store and was over a coal bunk. It had not been used for several days, but coal had been delivered that day and the light was accidentally left on. Defendant was a special constable who was on duty that evening, but not in High-street, otherwise he would have discovered it and extinguished it.

MARGATE SOLDIER'S DEATH

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Crouch, of 21 Orchard-road, Margate, have been informed that their son, Pte. David Crouch, The Buffs, was killed in action last month while serving in the Middle East.

He was called up in March, 1940, and was married a month later. Born at Margate, he was 25 years of age and worked as a gardener after attending St. John's School.

His wife lives at 8 Hengist-avenue, Margate.

DEATH ON RAILWAY LINE

RAMSGATE TRAGEDY

Having apparently been hit by the wheels of a train, the body of Mr. Arthur Cocks, aged 52, of 224 Margate-road, Ramsgate, was found on the railway line near the viaduct over the Margate-road yesterday evening.

Severe head and scalp injuries are believed to have been the cause of death.

Mr. Cocks was a married man with several grown-up children.

The circumstances have been reported to Ramsgate Borough Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson).

PRIVILEGE ABUSED

SOLDIERS CAUTIONED BY BENCH

The case was dismissed with a caution when B/Q/M/S Ernest Bradburn and Gnr. Albert Matthews pleaded guilty at Margate Cinque Ports police court on Monday to being concerned together in attempting to obtain a railway privilege ticket with intent to defraud the Southern Railway.

It was stated that Bradburn was going on leave on 5th December and Matthews, a former railwayman, told him he could get him a privilege ticket which would be about 10s. less than the ordinary fare. Had he been able to get the ticket Bradburn was going to give him 5s. more than the fare.

Bradburn told the bench he thought at the time that it was quite in order and he had no idea he was committing a crime. He did not know railway tickets were not transferable.

Matthews said it was entirely his fault and Bradburn knew nothing of the privilege tickets to which he was entitled. In offering to get the ticket he thought he was doing another soldier a good turn. As a consequence of his action he had lost his position on the railway and the pension which went with it.

Mr. G. A. C. Connolly, who prosecuted on behalf of the Southern Railway, said railwaymen had fought for many years to obtain privilege tickets and any abuse of it would not be tolerated. He did not suggest that the case was anything more than an isolated instance for both defendants were men of good character.

COMFORTS FOR RAMSGATE PRISONERS

BUMPER FLAG DAY COLLECTION

Saturday's flag day in Ramsgate resulted in the sum of £84 13s. 6d. being collected for comforts to be sent to local prisoners of war.

The effort was organised by the Mayor of Ramsgate's Services Comforts Fund and the Mayoress (Mrs. Kempe) wishes to thank all who assisted with collecting boxes. She would be grateful if all relatives of local prisoners in either Germany or Italy would send in their names to Clarendon House as soon as possible.

The individual collections were:

Mrs. Gummer, £7 8s. 3½d.; Mrs. Todd, £7 7s. 11½d.; Mrs. Neeves, £4 3s. 6d.; Mrs. Halls, £4 2s. 6d.; Miss LeGallais, £4 0s. 3½d.; Mrs. Baker, £3 14s. 3½d.; Mrs. Taylor, £3 4s. 4d.; Mrs. Adams, £2 9s. 11½d.; Mrs. Baker, £1 3s. 2d.; Mrs. N. Peete, 10s. 5½d.; Mr. Britton, £1 8s. 7½d.; Mrs. Mitchell, 11s. 4d.; Mr. Green, 14s. 8d.; Miss Moye, 9s. 3d.; Mrs. Snapes, £1 15s. 4½d.; Mrs. Young, £1 16s. 4d.; Miss Tappenden, £1 6s. 1½d.; Mrs. Janes, £1 0s. 10½d.; Mrs. Austin, £1 11s. 2d.; Miss G. Fenn, £1 10s. 1½d.; Mrs. Bishop, 18s. 6d.; Mrs. Skelton, £1 19s. 4d.; Mrs. Goddard, £1 13s. 8d.; Effingham-street Fire Station, 5s. 11d.; Northwood Fire Station, £2 9s. 0½d.; Thanet-road Fire Station, 9½d.; St. Lawrence Fire Station, 9s. 1½d.; Mrs. Lee, £1 5s. 7d.; Miss Rowland, 16s. 6d.; Mrs. C. Todd, £1 17s. 11½d.; Mrs. G. Peete, £1 7s. 4d.; the Mayor, £3 1s. 6d.; Mr. Butler, 5s. 4d.; Mrs. Evison, £1 5s. 1½d.; Miss Robinson, £2 0s. 4½d.; Mr. Corfe, £1 3s. 8½d.; Manston Wardens' Post, £1 5s. 2d.; School-lane Wardens' Post, £1 13s. 8d.; West Dumpton-lane Post, 10s. 3d.; Aberdeen Wardens' Post, 9s. 7½d.; Prince's-road Wardens' Post, £2 0s. 4½d.; Foads-lane Wardens' Post, £1 7s. 9d.; Whitehall-road Wardens' Post £2 1s. 5d.

Subscriptions—St. Mark's Church, Northwood, 14s.; Willson's-road Home Guard, £1 12s. 6d.; Mr. Bindoff, £1 1s.

KILLED IN INDIA

Ldg. Acm. Arthur Baldock, R.A.F., son of Mrs. and the late Mr. D. Baldock, formerly of 42 Grotto-road, Margate, has been killed in a transport accident in India.

He joined the service two years ago and went to India last August, marrying a short time before he went abroad. Educated at the Pettman Central School, he was afterwards employed as a carpenter and at one time was a member of the choir of St. Paul's Church, Cliftonville.

A keen footballer, Ldg. Acm. Baldock played for Birchington All Saints and Margate Old Centrals.

His mother now lives in Guildford.

COUNTY SALVAGE DRIVE

The Thanet towns showed up very well in the recent Kent County Salvage Drive.

The total amount of scrap collected in the county was 2,764 tons 14¼ cwts. Books and paper accounted for 1,309 tons and metal for 1,063 tons.

The collection at Margate amounted to 119 tons 10 cwts., at Ramsgate 57 tons and at Broadstairs 24 tons 19¼ cwts.

GUESTS OF THE MEDICAL CORPS

SOLDIERS ENTERTAIN RAMSGATE CHILDREN

A huge Christmas tree, sparkling with tinsel and coloured lights . . . rows and rows of paper chains . . . party hats . . . hundreds of flags.

Sounds a bit out of the season, doesn't it. Yet that was the scene at a large hall somewhere in Thanet on Saturday afternoon—a scene that delighted the eyes of more than 50 Ramsgate children who had the good fortune to be the guests of an R.A.M.C. unit.

Normally the men of the unit enjoy a grand "binge" at Christmas time but last year they thought they would ring the changes. Unanimously they agreed that, rather than have a party themselves they would give one to children of Ramsgate men serving in the forces — particularly those abroad.

The result of this kind gesture was that the lucky boys and girls had the time of their lives. Many of them were too young to have known the joys of peacetime parties and this elaborate effort gave them a taste of what is in store when normal conditions prevail again. The older children all agreed that they hadn't spent a happier time even before the war.

For the little guests the fun began early in the afternoon when they enjoyel a bus ride to the buildings where the unit is stationed. On their arrival the party quickly got into full swing and under the guidance of the soldiers and a party of W.R.N.S. girls the children played all sorts of exciting games.

Punch and Judy.

Then the Vicar of Ramsgate (the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth) made his appearance with his portable talkie apparatus and the children cheered to the echo the adventures of their favourite cartoon characters. From films the show went straight on to a clever Punch and Judy show—and did the youngsters enjoy this! They could imagine themselves back on the sandy shores in summertime as they gazed in wonderment at the amazing escapades of the marionettes. By popular demand this show went on for nearly an hour, several of the kiddies themselves making contributions of songs at the request of "Mr. Punch." So engrossed were they by the puppets' antics that it was well past the scheduled time before they walked through to an adjoining room where a superb tea was awating them.

The youngsters eyes lit up when they saw that spread. Beautifully laid out on white tables were dishes of inviting jellies and blanc manges, large juicy apples cut in halves, jam tarts and cakes and various kinds of sandwiches. Rations were saved for a long time for this but it did not take the boys and girls a long time to clear the tables.

Human Horses.

After tea the children were mystified by Lce. Corpl. Roberts, R.A.M.C., who presented a conjuring turn, and they enjoyed this nearly as much as the rides on the amusing "human horses" formed by two soldiers and two nurses from Ramsgate General Hospital.

During the afternoon the kiddies were visited by the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe), who was accompanied by the Mayoress and his secretary (Mrs. Peete). Addressing a fell well-chosen words to them the Mayor thanked the officers and men for giving the children such a happy time.

"It is a long time since we have been able to have parties in Ramsgate" he said "and to-day's is one of the best. We in Ramsgate have had our share of trouble and we have stuck it out. Remember it depends on you as well as the older people as to whether we gain the victory or not."

The tea was provided mainly by the N.A.A.F.I. canteen on the site and the assistants all entered into the spirit of the party. The unit is also indebted to the members of the W.R.N.S. who gave such valuable assistance.

As the children left to return home, each was given a dainty coloured bag containing a bar of chocolate, liquorice allsorts and toffees.

VICTIM OF HIS STAFF

ESTATE AGENT FINED

"You were the victim of your staff," commented the Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) at Ramsgate police court on Monday, when Leslie Hogbin, estate agent, was summoned for permitting a light to show from his business premises in York-street after black-out on 5th February.

P/S Files said he saw a light shining from two windows on the first floor, which were unscreened. Ten minutes later he got possession of the keys of the building and extinguished the lights. The following day he saw defendant, who said he must take responsibility although he left the office at lunch-time and did not return again that day. He thought a member of his staff must have gone to the upper office to get a book, switched on the light, and forgot to turn it off again. The staff left before black-out time.

Defendant was fined £2.

BLACK-OUT TIMES

To-day	... 6.45 p.m.—7.43 a.m.
Wednesday	. 6.47 p.m.—7.41 a.m.
Thursday	... 6.48 p.m.—7.39 a.m.
Friday	... 6.50 p.m.—7.37 a.m.

FAITH AND HOPE UNABATED

ST. GEORGE'S DIFFICULT YEAR

The Vicar of Ramsgate (the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth) is to be inducted and instituted Vicar of St. Luke's, West Norwood, on 8th May.

Mr. Farnsworth made this announcement at the annual parochial meeting of St. George's Church on Monday and, referring to the appointment of his successor at Ramsgate, said "The officials of the Diocese of Canterbury meet to-morrow, when I expect names will be suggested for the Vicariate of St. George's. I don't expect the chosen clergyman will know of his appointment until Thursday. All those hundreds of clergy you have seen wandering around the town in the last three months have nothing to do with the Vicariate of St. George's."

The Vicar said he had no desire to leave Ramsgate but it was the wish of a friend who had died that he should succeed him and the Archbishop of Canterbury had persuaded him to take the new charge.

Mentioning that he had not been able to accept a previous offer of the Archbishop, Mr. Farnsworth said "After the way I treated the Archbishop's other offer, I suppose he had to put the pressure on."

Mr. Farnsworth said the work of St. George's had progressed in the last year. It had not gone forward by leaps and bounds but some solid work had been done. He expressed the hope that shortly it would be possible to hold the services in the main church instead of the crypt.

Encouraging Visitors.

Speaking of his work among the troops, the Vicar said he regarded them as visitors. Apart from the religious point of view, the work was worth while for Ramsgate was, in peace-time, dependent on the goodwill of visitors. "We should strive from time to time to encourage people to come," he said. "One does think to the future in encouraging these people."

Although he had spent much time with the troops conducting services and entertaining them with his portable talkie unit, he often thought that as far as work was concerned the clergyman could take a leaf out of the layman's book. "The layman is pulling his weight these days," he said. "I haven't been anything out of the ordinary in what I have attempted to do. Perhaps I have been mad to have attempted some things. . . . I have been grateful for the friendships formed here and trust that St. George's has brighter days in store."

At the vestry which preceded the annual meeting, Mr. E. A. Knight was elected people's warden in succession to Mr. H. W. Waters and Mr. S. C. Holthouse was re-appointed Vicar's warden.

The statement of accounts presented by the treasurer (Mr T. Wells) showed a balance for the year of £13 13s. 5d. "We have paid our way," he said, "and have a lot to be thankful for."

Additional Expenditure.

One outstanding item of expenditure was the repair of the organ amounting to £88 but a claim for reimbursement had been lodged with the War Damage Commission. The balance sheet disclosed a total balance at the bank of £421 11s. 1d. but Mr. Wells warned the parishioners that this year the church would probably have to face an additional expenditure in making a contribution towards the incumbent's stipend.

Mr. Farnsworth said they were being called upon to pay £50 for this purpose.

It was stated that a revision of the electoral roll had resulted in its numbers being reduced from 759 to 485.

Presenting the annual report of the parochial church council, Mr. Knight said they had experienced a trying year with war conditions still prevailing, but, on the whole, had passed through a difficult time satisfactorily. "The spirit of our congregation and church membership," he said, "has been sustained all through the year, despite many drawbacks, and we have continued our church activities with faith and hope unabated, looking forward to the return of normal conditions and the extension of our efforts in the life of the town.

"Soon we shall be losing the services of our Vicar, who has been such an inspiration to us and indeed to the whole religious life of Ramsgate from the time of his arrival here in September, 1938."

Laymen Conduct Services.

Mr. Knight said they had appreciated the appearance in the pulpit of a few visiting clergymen, including several service chaplains, and on some few occasions laymen had led the church services and given addresses —possibly for the first time in the history of St. George's.

Making further reference to the Vicar's impending departure, Mr. Knight said "His removal is a heavy blow for upon him has fallen the burden of maintaining all that the parish church of Ramsgate has stood for since its foundation in 1827, during the most difficult period of its history, and he has been indefatigable in his work as Vicar, rising to

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H. G. CURTIS
Town Clerk.

Municipal Buildings.
10th February, 1943.

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every opportunity of serving the town and its inhabitants in innumerable ways. His going will be not only a serious loss to us but to the whole town. There will be a further opportunity of expressing our deep regret on his leaving us and of our sincere appreciation of his work here, at a later date."

The parochial church council was elected as follows: Mrs. Mockridge, Miss Edwards, Miss F. Armstrong, Miss Spinner, Mrs. Kelsey, Miss Foreman, Mrs. Shaxted, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. White, Mrs. Apps, Miss Knight, Miss Carr and Messrs. W. Brown, Fagg, F. Wraight, Bishop, T. J. White, Holden, W. R. Mockridge and Cullen. All the sidesmen were re-elected.

Mr. Farnsworth said it was hoped that the Provost of Portsmouth would be preaching at the church at Easter.

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THE PIED PIPER

MONTY WOOLLEY AT ODEON

"The Pied Piper," a dramatic and thrilling film version of Nevil Shute's great novel, which is being screened at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow, presents Monty Woolley, Roddy McDowall and Anne Baxter in an enthralling story of a gruff but lovable old Englishman who led a band of helpless children across France in chaos to England and safety.

The film tells in graphic detail the adventures and difficulties encountered by the small band of refugees in their perilous journey. Starting in the south of France as the gigantic German attack was launched in June, 1940, the Englishman manages to make his halting way home, shepherding his straggling group of youngsters right under the very nose of the dreaded Gestapo. "Half-way to Shanghai," featuring Irene Hervey and Kent Taylor, will also be shown.

A new Maisie adventure, "She Got Her Man," starring Ann Sothern and Red Skelton, heads the bill for the latter part of the week. The story is a fast-moving one which takes place against the background of the "Larceny Building," a dingy edifice which has the offices for an assortment of small-time promoters and bookies. Maisie is still the smart chorus girl, but, thanks to the adventures she currently finds herself in, Miss Sothern is able to wear more than one dress. "Wildcat," with Richard Arlen and Arline Judge, will also be shown.

RAMSGATE SERGEANT A PRISONER

Sgt. George Henry Lewis, R.A., of Ramsgate, is reported to be a prisoner of war in Camp P.G. 53, Settore I, Italy.

THE FOOD FRONT

POTATO PETE GOES TO PARLIAMENT

Potato Pete went to the Houses of Parliament recently. In one of the committee rooms in the House of Commons, teams of bakers from England and Wales, Scotland and Ireland showed M.Ps. over 100 varieties of excellent cakes, tarts and buns in which potato had been used to save flour, with complete success.

It is always interesting for the housewife who has her own family's likes and dislikes to cope with, to know what other people are eating, so here are some of the things which the Members of Parliament chose as their favourites. The recipes have been adapted for household use.

Irish Potato Farls

1 lb. of potatoes
2 tablespoonsful of flour
1 teaspoonful of salt

Boil the potatoes until they are quite tender but not mushy. Drain off the water and shake the potatoes in the pot until they are quite dry. Either mash very smoothly with a fork or press them through the suet grater. Add the salt, then work in the flour to make a pliable dough. Turn out on to a well floured board, roll out thinly and cut into wedge-shaped pieces. Cook on a greased frying pan or hot-plate, or on a baking tray in the oven, browning them on both sides. These are excellent fried with the breakfast bacon. Serve them also for tea or supper and save bread.

Short Pastry for Tarts and Pies

6 ozs. of flour
6 ozs. of smoothly mashed potato
3 ozs. of cooking fat
1 teaspoonful of baking powder
½ teaspoonful of salt

Mix the flour, salt and baking powder. Cream the fat and the potato, rub it into the flour and knead to a firm dough without any liquid. The soft potato and fat will make the dough quite moist enough. This gives a good short crust that can be used for any purpose. Try it for little tartlets. Here are suggestions for fillings. Jam, home-bottled fruit lemon curd made with potato, dried egg, margarine and lemon flavouring, custard made with dried egg, a savoury filling of cheese and potato, creamed with savoury extract and margarine, chopped vegetables in savoury or curried gravy, or a little flaked fish in sauce.

Lunch Cake

10 ozs. of flour
3 ozs. of mashed potato
1 teaspoonful of baking powder
3 ozs. of cooking fat
3 ozs. of sugar
2 level tablespoonsful of dried egg
3 level tablespoonsful of household milk powder
3-4 ozs. of chopped dates or sultanas

Mix the mashed potato and household milk powder to a smooth liquid with a breakfastcupful of cold water. Mix the dried egg with 4 tablespoonsful of tepid water. Mix the baking powder with the flour. Now you are all ready to begin.

Cream the fat and sugar together, beat in the egg, put in the fruit, then add the flour and the potato-milk alternately until all is used up. Put the dough into a well-greased cake tin and bake in a moderate oven for about 1½ hours.

TOP-DRESSING FOR TOP YIELDS

It has been a mild winter but wet, and some of the soil nitrogen is likely to have been leached out by rain. Full crops cannot be grown without sufficient nitrogen, and full crops—all that will stand up—are wanted in this crucial year.

Top-dressings, therefore, will be required, though not necessarily in all circumstances nor at the same time. During the plant's early life, nitrogen helps to develop the root system and to increase the leafage and number of stems per plant. Later it may increase ear size and, therefore, the number of grains per ear. A crop sown early on rich land will be well established before winter; its rootlets will have permeated most of the surface soil and taken care of the nitrogen. If it has "wintered well," the crop may safely be left to fend for itself until April or May—except for the usual spring harrowing and rolling. A late dressing in May will have the effect of increasing grain yield without increasing straw yield, always assuming the rainfall is sufficient to wash the nitrogen into the soil. A May top-dressing, therefore, is unlikely to aggravate any tendency to lodge and may be thoroughly justifiable.

Much of our wheat, however, was sown late on soil rather short of nitrogen; it came quickly through and made soft and tender growth, owing to unseasonable mildness. There will have been some leaching and some worsening of soil conditions by water-logging. So far, there has been little or no tillering. Consequently the plant is not favourably placed to withstand repeated keen frosts or biting east winds. It may need some quickly available nitrogen as soon as growth is able to re-start, usually in March. It is no good waiting until May, when much of the "plant" may have disappeared. The May dressing is the final spur intended to extract the last ounce the plant is capable of without falling down.

ADMIRALTY PLAQUES ARRIVE

The three Thanet towns of Ramsgate, Broadstairs and Margate last week received from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty plaques commemorating the efforts of the towns in raising during their Warship Weeks the sum of £500,000 to replace H.M.S. Thanet.

The Ramsgate plaque, which comprises a replica, mounted on a shield, of the badge of H.M.S. Thanet, bears the inscription "Presented by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to the Borough of Ramsgate to commemorate the adoption of H.M.S. Thanet during Warship Week, 1942."

At a meeting of Margate Council on Tuesday Councillor H. G. Pedder said a plaque for presentation to the new H.M.S. Thanet was being prepared on behalf of the three towns and would probably be presented at Ramsgate.

THIS WEEK'S COMPLETE STORY

ZERO : NINE-TWENTY

By

C. A. BENHAM

The man in the restaurant fiddled furtively with something in his breast pocket. He had been at his table just over a quarter of an hour, but in that time he had fumbled—with the same action—four times. His immediate neighbours glanced curiously at him.

Presently the waiter brought his food and lager, gave a perfunctory flick of the cloth, and departed pessimistically.

The man started his meal. Crumbling his bread, he suddenly stopped, his eyes focussed to a pinpoint of concentration. His hand sought his pocket, this time drawing out a square white envelope with his own name and address typewritten on its face. He opened its torn flap and re-read the contents.

"Dear Sir,
We invite you to prepare and broadcast a talk . . ."

His steak became uninviting and he took a long drink of the lager. The date on a somewhat thumbed contract was for that day.

He thrust the letter away, stood up, and made for the doors, snatching his hat in his stride. The head waiter dashed forward all anxiety and conciliation.

His own waiter pressed on him a bill, hastily totalled.

"Wasn't the food to your liking, sir?" enquired the head waiter.

"Quite. Oh, quite."

The head waiter's eyes strayed towards the scarcely-touched meal.

"If you would like me to——" he began.

"No. It's quite all right, thank you." There was a touch of asperity in the man's voice. "I don't feel like eating, that's all."

He glanced at his bill and paid the waiter, including a surplus shilling. Then he hurried out.

In the street he glanced at his watch. Quarter to three!

To-night at 9.20. Six hours and thirty-five minutes to go!

He took a deep breath and made up his mind.

He wasn't good for any more work to-day. He'd go back and tell Gregory, his partner, that he was packing up. Gregory could see to things.

A sudden spasm of affection for Gregory shook him.

Good old Gregory. So safe, so reassuring, so—calm!

He turned into the big, concrete doorway and tapped his foot as he waited for the lift.

The liftman was unduly garrulous.

Talking about the weather at this hour of the day! As if he didn't know it was hot without the fool remarking on it.

He hated the liftman.

He wished they'd get a new man—one that was dumb.

By the time they'd reached the third floor he was almost homicidal.

He'd always thought affectionately of his office—as a luxurious, friendly sort of place. To-day it was evident that things were going to the dogs. He'd never noticed how shabby the leather armchair looked; even the carpet wanted cleaning.

Gregory could have seen to that.

He wrote on a slip.

"MEMO. Tell Gregory about carpet. New chair."

Where **was** Gregory? Just like him to be out when he was wanted.

He was ringing for the boy when Gregory himself came into the room.

"Hull-o, Masters!" exclaimed Gregory in surprise. "You're back early. What's this?" He picked up the slip, read it with surprise on his usually expressionless face, and put it back on the desk.

"I'll see to it," he said.

"I'm going now, Gregory." Masters spoke abruptly. "I've had enough for to-day. Besides, to-night—I want to"—he hesitated, then went on importantly, "—my **script**. Muriel expects me pretty early, too."

"I see!" Gregory grinned good-humouredly, adding, a glint of mischief in his eyes, "Nervous?"

"Nervous? Me? Good lord, no! Well, I'm off. Cheery-bye."

He banged the door as he went.

In the outer office the chief clerk, a mixture of smugness and deprecation, informed him that the staff had been told.

"We shall all be listening to you, sir, you know."

Mr. Masters muttered something inarticulate and hurried out. He walked downstairs and took the opportunity to wipe the inside of his collar.

Phew! It **had** turned warm.

Thoughts in the Train.

He went home by train. A short run on the bus took him to Charing Cross.

"Weather," he thought, "turned everyone's brain to water." The bus was full of chattering, inane women, apparently bargain-victorious. Breathless, giggling fools! He glared over the top of his paper. Then he tried to read but the black-and-white was a meaningless blur. How could he read, he asked himself savagely, with all this wretched chit-chat going on round him?

He tucked the paper under his arm and looked out of the window.

At Charing Cross he was surrounded by clusters of stupid, perspiring faces. They moved about him like balloons. Bobbing up and down, all colours and sizes, round, shiny and hot. A smell of perspiration and scent pervaded the station, and he felt slightly sick.

His train was late. He had a first-class to himself but trembled with apprehension when one of the balloons hovered uncertainly at the window.

The journey seemed interminable.

Ahead, round the bend, the gleaming rails wriggled snake-like. He looked at their streaming track and wished he'd brought a copy of his talk with him to-day. He could have gone over it aloud in the privacy of his compartment with the chatter of the engine as background. It was a thing he couldn't do at home. He was far too shy to rehearse in front of Muriel—made him feel a fool; and once, alone in the bathroom, he'd found, to his astonishment, that his own company was as embarrassing as Muriel's. Horrible—hearing your own voice reading aloud!

He wondered why this had never occurred to him before when reading extracts from the paper to, not only his wife, but to the others at the Club.

He tried to reconstruct his talk. If he could memorise it, all the better. Suppose he got up there and found that they—and he—had lost the script.

A shiver streaked like blue steel down his spine.

He began again.

"I want to talk to you to-night about——"

Suddenly he found himself rhyming.

"Twenty-past nine,
I hope it keeps fine."

He was saying it over and over again.

"Shut UP!" he roared aloud, and took his own advice momentarily, but ten seconds later he found

"Twenty-past nine,
I hope it keeps fine."

twisting fantastically as trainlines through his brain . . .

Longman was on the platform when he got out.

Just his luck to run into that talkative fool this afternoon.

"The 13th," he muttered grimly. Mercifully he was able to dodge him.

Muriel was at the station with the car.

How could she have known he'd be home as early as this? He hadn't phoned—but here she was. He asked no questions.

Muriel inquired when they were indoors if there was anything she could do.

"Do? What do you mean?"

"Well, can I hear you through?"

"What for? Why should I want to be heard through?"

Muriel was a little indignant.

"Oh, if you don't want to be heard, I'm not pressing you," she said. "I only wondered if I could help."

He snatched Muriel in his arms and, as she began to relax lovingly, kissed her absently on the forehead and pushed her away.

Muriel went out and slammed the door.

He left for Portland Place just before eight.

Muriel wished him "Good luck" a trifle tersely but added, relenting, "I shall be listening to you, remember."

"That's what those fools at the office are going to do," he said.

He took the car this time. Somehow, the importance of the occasion warranted it he felt, although Muriel had insisted it would have been better if he could have kept his mind clear of driving difficulties and concentrated on the ordeal ahead of him.

As he thought of her words a slow sweat broke softly on his forehead and back, and he swerved to avoid a cyclist.

He left the car in Hallam-street and started to walk back to Portland place.

Suddenly the immensity of the thing swamped him. He, HE, John Masters—Johnnie as everyone called him—he, Johnnie, was going to tell the world.

The great hand of nausea tore at his solar plexus, he looked about him desperately .

"I can't do it," he muttered and bit his lips to stop himself shouting aloud. "I can't do it. I CAN'T DO IT . . . What can I do?" he half-whimpered the next minute.

He stood still, his eyes fastened on a bus.

"I wish I were dead—under a car or something. **Shall** I go down to the Embankment—and chuck myself in the water? Shall I? I can't face anyone again if I go down over this. And I can't do it. I can't, simply **can't** go through with it . . ."

He found himself walking through the great doors, giving his name to the reception clerk. Strange! The beating of his heart didn't seem apparent to these people, the clerk, the boy who took him to the lift . . .

In the Studio.

At twelve minutes past nine Johnnie—Johnnie, whom everyone at the office thought of as the great Mr. Masters, but who was to himself just Johnnie, small, insignificant, in trouble again as surely as he had been the day he'd seen his father coming towards him after he had played truant from school, Johnnie alone and terrified in an unfriendly world that insisted on him fulfilling obligations, a world of deaf ears listening, criticising, laughing, sneering perhaps; at twelve minutes past nine, this Johnnie—found himself gripping the edge of a studio table, glaring mechanically at his white knuckles.

A red light flared devilshly.

"We have here in the studio to-night . . ." said the announcer, and then, "Mr. John Masters!"

Johnnie felt a large air-pocket swell in his throat. He knew now he couldn't see it through. He couldn't breathe. He was choking. The room was swimming, his chair lifted and floated away, then darted back—strait at the mike.

From somewhere came a misty, wool-clouded noise, a noise like talking. A voice like his own.

He was talking. He was reading.

Dully, Johnnie comprehended. This was **it**. He was broadcasting! He'd have to get through now—somehow.

His voice enlarged itself to his ears. It sounded almost normal. But how to go on like this for ten minutes? His fingers turning over the pages looked almost steady.

Suddenly he realised there were no more pages to turn. His worst fears then, were realised! Some of it had been lost. What should he do? There were no more pages to turn—he looked about him desperately and saw the red light was gone.

Then he looked again at his script.

He began to laugh but controlled himself fiercely in case he should be heard by the world.

He'd read the lot—at least he hoped so. It was difficult to remember.

Ten minutes later John Masters emerged, a slightly supercilious smile about his lips. He nodded grandly to the commissionaire in the main hall

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TEMPTATION TOO GREAT

YOUNG MOTHER BOUND OVER

A mother of two children, who admitted that she forged and cashed a postal draft sent to her grandmother, with whom she lived, was bound over for two years at Margate police court on Wednesday.

The woman, Lilian Ellen Thunder, aged 24, of Byron-avenue, Margate, pleaded guilty to obtaining £2 from the area officer of the Assistance Board on 24th July, 1942, by forging a postal draft.

The Chief Constable (Mr. W. Palmer) said defendant lived with her grandmother, Mrs. Ellen Thunder.

The grandmother, aged 75, received an old-age pension and a supplementary allowance. She was in straitened circumstances in July last and the area officer of the Assistance Board authorised a grant to her of £2 9s. On 21st July Mr. J. B. Williamson, assistant area officer at Ramsgate, forwarded a postal draft to Mrs. Thunder, the grandmother. Subsequently inquiries were made and on 13th January Mr. F. Urwin, the area officer, saw Mrs. Thunder in reference to postal drafts for £2 and 9s. She said the signatures on them were not hers and she had not seen them before.

Her First Offence.

Defendant was present, and when asked if they were her signatures she replied "I suppose they are." She was asked to account for them and said she obtained the drafts, signed them and cashed them at the Post Office, and used the money, unknown to her grandmother. She made a similar admission when seen later by D/S Presland.

Defendant agreed that the statement made by the Chief Constable was correct, and in reply to the Magistrates' Clerk (Mr. C. C. Maughan), said she usually opened her grandmother's letters because she was near-sighted. She had never taken any drafts before.

The Magistrates' Clerk: Was the temptation too great for you?

Defendant: Yes, sir.

In reply to further questions, she said she was not working as she had two children to keep—one two years of age and one nine months. She received £1 4s. 6d. public assistance, which her grandmother collected for her.

The Chief Constable said the grandmother received £1 10s. a week, so that the total income of the household was £2 14s. 6d. The rent was 10s. a week. Defendant was a single woman, and so far as the police could ascertain the money she took was expended on the children and household goods. Nothing was known against defendant.

Defendant said her grandmother allowed her 5s. a week from her money to help keep the children and also paid the rent.

A YANK IN DUTCH

JOAN BENNETT AT KING'S

Joan Bennett and Franchot Tone, co-stars of the love-and-laugh hit "She Knew All the Answers," again join forces in Columbia's "A Yank in Dutch," main feature at the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow. The picture is filled with intrigue, action, romance and comedy, with the emphasis on the latter. Tone goes completely and delightfully berserk in his pose as a husband expecting a divorce. The hoax is necessary to delude a rather dum-witted Nazi officer who is paying court to Miss Bennett. The activities of the Gestapo provide most of the drama but the film is generally very light-hearted. "Hot Pearls," the supporting picture, is an exciting new mystery thriller starring Leif Erikson and Florence Rice.

"The Man Who Returned to Life," the chief attraction for the latter part of the week, is as tensely dramatic as it sounds. With Lucile Fairbanks and John Howard as the stars, the film tells of a man tortured by the memory of his horror-haunted past, by phantoms of the woman he is said to have killed, the woman whose heart he broke and the man about to hang for his "murder." In a strange and powerfully exciting drama this man, declared "legally dead," returns to save a man's life. "Honolulu Lu," featuring Lupe Velez and Leo Carrillo, provides a lighter side to the programme.

ANGLO-SOVIET EXHIBITION

Arranged by the Kent Education Committee in conjunction with the Anglo-Soviet Youth Alliance, an exhibition, "Young Comrades in Arms," is to be shown at Margate Youth Centre, New Cross-street, Margate, from Wednesday to Saturday next.

The exhibition will be officially opened by the Mayoress (Mrs. F. J. Cornford) at 3 p.m. on Wednesday.

Admission to the exhibition is free.

STILL WINNING

Ramsgate Police continued their winning sequence when they defeated an R.A.M.C. side by 303 points to 203 in a shooting match on Tuesday.

R.A.M.C.—Dr. Smith 15 and 19, Dr. Rawins 15 and 14, Cpl. Thomas 15 and 16, L/Cpl. Childsworth 10 and 14, Dr. Salter 0 and 10, L/Cpl. Saunders 15 and 15, Dr. Roper 20 and 15, Dr. Wilson 0 and 10.

Ramsgate Police—W/R Scott 20 and 20, T/C/I Hicks 20 and 18, P/C Housden 15 and 19, P/C Shanahan 20 and 18, W/R Page 20 and 19, S/C Fearn 20 and 20, S/C Luckett 20 and 19, D/C Oram 15 and 20.

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and stood a moment on the step to the street—just to give London a glimpse of one of those half-myths—a broadcaster.

He took himself for coffee and looked with interest at a girl reading a radio periodical.

Suddenly a great wave leapt up in the spot approximating to his bosom, which felt momentarily as though it would burst.

He John Masters, a broadcaster!

A feeling, almost of tears, surged through him, then, mingling with a well-nigh unbearable flush of triumph, vented itself in a long, deep sigh of happiness.

The girl glanced up. She smiled slightly.

John Masters, Mr. Masters, the impeccable, leaned across to her and whispered, quite unencouraged, "**I've** just been broadcasting."

"Really?" murmured the girl, her eyes widening. "How terribly interesting. Weren't you nervous?"

Mr. Masters' lip curled magnificently.

"Nervous?" he repeated scornfully. "Nervous? My dear girl, there's nothing to it."

The End

The characters in this story are entirely imaginary. No reference is intended to any living person or to any public or private company.

ON THE BRAVE NEW WORLD

THAT HUMAN ELEMENT

By LYNN DOYLE

Every grown-up person who remains a child—and all really likeable folk do—remembers the time when, if he and his brothers and sisters were going to a picnic, they looked anxiously at the sky, and, to placate the infernal gods (and the gods of the weather in these islands **are** infernal) chanted: "I know it will rain, I know it will rain, I know it will rain."

One behaves much the same way about the Brave New World that we talk about making after the war. It looks so promising; to succeed in creating it would be such a tremendous thing for the people of Great Britain, and for all the other nations who would shortly follow the example, that one feels it just cannot and will not pass from a plan to actuality. So many human weaknesses will, if I may put it in an Irish way, fight so strongly against the success of the plan.

The only way to make the Brave New World would be to do away with all the inhabitants of the present world, and start anew with protoplasm or another Adam and Eve. There have from time to time been folk who thought a better and more peaceful world could be made without an Eve. And I have heard a decent woman of my acquaintance wish at the end of a harassing day that she had never set eyes on Adam.

But in spite of aspirations such as these I am afraid the new world would have to be peopled in the old-fashioned way. The children, too, would be very much the same, differing strangely from one another in their bodily constitution and in their powers of mind. Some would be healthy, some sickly; some would be clever, some dull; some would be hard-working, some lazy. And, if they were not educated differently from the children of to-day and had not a different example set before them, the world they would make for themselves would be exactly like the world we live in.

There would be greedy, callous, guttling, arrogant wealth, and shivering, hungry, naked, despairing poverty. There would be, cruelty and crime and preventable disease. There would be corruption and nepotism in high places; and the citizens who cried out bitterly against these abuses would, very often, be mean, heartless profiteers themselves. The fate of humanity is brought about by humanity itself. No matter how benevolent the plan for regenerating society at large may be, it must be based on knowledge of past human behaviour in the individual and in the mass, if it is to succeed. If it is not so based, human nature will wreck it.

The More It Changes . . .

Let us take a general example. A nation suffers from inequality with its neighbour in food and comfort, from oppressive government, from foreign aggression. Discontent smoulders, grows, "Any state of affairs would be better than this" is the cry. When the time is ripe a leader appears. The old constitution is torn up; the old rulers are expelled, the old customs are changed. The rejoicing people cry: "Oh, Brave New World!" and, forgetting their own days of oppression, try to thrust the blessing on their neighbours.

But when a man cuts himself shaving (as he can do even with a safety razor if he is thinking about brave new worlds when he ought to be attending to the matter in hand) from the very instant the blade is withdrawn his system sets to work to repair the gash, begins the job of making his face just the same as it was before, though it may not have been a handsome or a pleasing face. And no sooner is even a peaceful and beneficial revolution accomplished than the habits of thought and action of the nation in which the revolution took place set to work to undo all the good that has been done, just as you and I will set to work to undo the Beveridge Plan for our own individual benefit if it is ever put into operation; just as most of us who are tolerably well-off will, consciously or unconsciously, strive to prevent its ever being put into operation.

Almost everyone speaks well of the Beveridge Plan. But that does not mean that it will be easy to get it sanctioned. Individual and corporate interests will step in. Your interest will step in, and mine, and say "Better wait awhile." And the longer we wait the more we shall think; and the thinking will be about ourselves. I used to believe I was a pretty poor specimen of humanity compared to other folk. I no longer think that. Not that I've grown conceited. I've too bad a stomach. But I've had more experience of life; and now I know that other people are just as mean and selfish as I am. And I know, too, that though I may go to bed glowing with enthusiasm for some worthy object, I wake in the morning thinking: "But how much is this going to cost **me**?"

The Old Adam.

Nor is this a wicked or monstrous feeling. It is merely a human feeling. The most powerful impulse by which humanity is actuated is the urge to carry on the race. That impulse rises above even the preservation of the individual. Few men but could be corrupted by the hope of success or gain. Still fewer but could be corrupted by the hope of success or gain for their children. Few men but as individuals would be carelessly charitable to those poorer than themselves, but vastly fewer those who in the cause of charity would alienate even a modicum of the heritage of their children. Fewest of all are those precious souls who will exercise patience and endure struggle over a long time to help their poorer fellow to help himself, to see that he gets the means of earning, instead of a dole. The setting-up of the Brave New World will demand intelligence and pertinacity as well as good-will. It won't be enough to plan improvement of man's conditions of living, and to construct the machinery. There will have to be continuous oversight, or that curse of humanity, human-nature, will interfere with the machinery and mar the plan. A concrete example is worth a dozen generalities: I know a public body which had statutory power to make grants for scholarships to the sons of the poorer classes. One of their grants was to a man with a public office in which he could be useful to them, and at the very least £500 a year. Not till we realise that every child born into the world belongs to our family, will the Brave New World be established, and stand firm.

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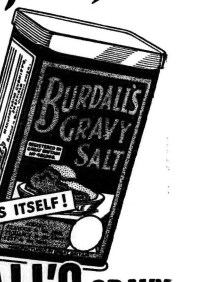

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2 If the land is short of lime, try to apply a light dressing at once.

3 Harrow lightly to spread droppings and clean up the surface.

4 Shut up the fields in February or early March and apply 1½ cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia per acre.

5 When you start to use "Early Bite" remember that this young grass will scour the stock unless grazing starts gradually — an hour or so a day at first.

THE NATION MUST HAVE MILK

— it is vital for young children. Grow the crops needed to keep your herd in full production, especially next winter.

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A TOWN'S EFFORT

RAMSGATE FORCES CLUB

Proceedings in the Council Chamber at Clarendon House, Ramsgate, on Thursday, resembled an auction sale, with the difference that people were offering to give all sorts of household articles and furniture instead of bidding for them.

The Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) wielded the auctioneer's hammer and from a full room he solicited promises of gifts which ranged from washhandstands, rolls of lino and gramophones to a small organ a piano and crockery.

All these gifts will help to furnish and equip the new Ramsgate Forces' Club which is shortly to be opened at premises in King-street owned by Messrs. Truman, Hanbury, Buxton and Co. Ltd. and formerly by Messrs. H. Wood and Co., butchers.

The formation of the club is already well advanced and Thursday's meeting was held in order that townspeople interested in the venture could learn of its objects, which are, mainly, to provide social facilities and a canteen for men and women of the forces stationed in the district.

From the Mayor they heard the gratifying statement that over £200 had already been subscribed to the new club and other substantial sums promised.

Backed by the Army.

The Mayor said he had felt, in company with fellow citizens, that there were not enough facilities for the troops in the district in the way of provision for feeding and recreation in a quiet way. They got together to see if a club could be formed and had the backing of the South-Eastern Command and the Kent county authorities and—by the way the money was coming in—the people of the town.

Premises which Messrs. Truman had recently offered for use had already been surveyed and it was thought that they would form an ideal centre for the club they had in mind, although it was true that money would have to be spent in bringing them up-to-date.

"I must say that everybody has been wonderfully kind," said the Mayor, "and so far I have been able to get £208 14s. in subscriptions. I understand that Mr. Morgan has another £19 10s."

Apart from the financial side, however, there was another matter which would interest the townspeople—and that was the provision of household equipment, such as crockery, cutlery, chairs, etc. If people would offer to donate them they could say it was a real all-round effort.

Early Opening.

"We are going to get on immediately with the reconditioning of the premises," he said, "and we hope at an early date to be open and of good service to the troops in the locality."

It was stated that in addition to the amounts mentioned by the Mayor, guarantors had promised £49.

Mrs. Billingham, who is to be in charge of the club staff, said that the premises would be open 40 hours a week—from 6 to 10 p.m. from Monday to Friday and from 2 to 10 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The various organisations of the town would be giving their help but she appealed for volunteers among those not connected with any organisation.

The Mayor said he did not want it thought that any organisation was going to be left out. "This is a town's effort," he said, "and everyone in the town must have a finger in the pie."

Mr. F. H. Treweeks suggested that a paid staff would be essential to efficiency and the Mayor said this matter would be considered by the committee.

Details of the premises were given by the Rev. Stanley B. Green, Minister of Ramsgate Congregational Church, who is taking one of the leading parts in the formation of the club. The ground floor room, he said, would make an admirable games room and billiards, table tennis, darts, etc. could be provided. A billiard table had already been promised and it was hoped that offers of other games would come along.

Cafeteria.

Upstairs, a room formerly a ladies' hairdressing salon, could be converted into a lounge and behind that would be the kitchen of the canteen, which it was proposed to run on the cafeteria principle. On the same floor would be a women's room and a writing room for men only.

It was proposed to convert a room on the second floor into a chapel for those who wished to avail themselves of short services for evening prayers, which would be conducted by ministers of all denominations. "I hasten to add," he said, "that there is no suggestion that we want to enforce anything in the nature of religion on those who use the club, but they will have the opportunity if they desire it."

The Mayor then asked the gathering for offers of gifts and his appeal produced a ready response.

In proposing a vote of thanks to the Mayor for presiding and for the help he was giving, Mr. Green disclosed that the premises had been offered at a peppercorn rent of £1 a year.

The proposal was seconded by the Rev. H. J. Culmer, Rector of Holy Trinity Church.

The house committee of the club consists of Mr. Green, Mrs. Billingham, Mrs. Farnsworth, Mr. H. Laslett, Mr. J. Morgan, Mr. E. Spencer Payne and Mr. Sherrington.

Businesswoman Censured

DECEIVED BY CHILD

A Ramsgate businesswoman who bought a quantity of crockery and glassware from a 14-year-old girl was censured by the magistrates at Ramsgate juvenile court on Tuesday.

The girl was alleged to have stolen crockeryware and glassware, valued at £46 15s. 6d., the property of Kezia May Glenister, from the Ideal Restaurant, King-street, Ramsgate, between 14th and 28th September.

The case was originally before the bench a month previously, when C/I Butcher said the girl admitted stealing articles to the value of £17 15s. 2d. In a statement to the police she said she sold the property to Mrs. Gold, of King-street, Ramsgate.

On Tuesday the proceedings were adjourned for a further fortnight and when the girl, with her father, had left the court the Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) addressed Mr. T. Hoppit, who was representing Mrs. Gold.

"The bench feel that proper care was not taken by Mrs. Gold in the buying of all this property," he said. "On the first occasion she might not have thought much about it but when the girl continued to take this stuff to her it was up to her to make enquiries. Mrs. Gold should have taken this care when it was obvious that the girl could not have come by the articles in a proper way. Mrs. Gold is deserving of a certain amount of censure."

No Opportunity for Denial.

Mr. Hoppit said Mrs. Gold had never given evidence at the court and she had not had the opportunity to deny various allegations. She instructed him, however, to say that she did not receive from the girl such an amount of property as was alleged. "The most she has ever bought from her is only valued at approximately £5 and a few shillings," he said.

Mrs. Gold, he continued, had known the girl from babyhood and if she thought she was not capable of selling or wasn't authorised to sell the property, could easily have seen the girl's mother at any time. She never realised the girl was not selling the goods for the purpose which the girl stated. Mrs. Gold had been in the trade for over 30 years and was the last person who could be accused of buying things which she knew had not been obtained honestly.

"With all due respect," said Mr. Hoppit, "I think from the child's attitude that a good many other people would have been misled, too. Mrs. Gold has had no complaint against her in her 30 years in business and she has been grossly misled and grossly defrauded. She is sorry she was a party to this but at no time did she think that the property was other than good property saleable in her business. If you think she has done wrong she offers her apologies."

Mr. Perry said the bench were still of the opinion that Mrs. Gold did not exercise due care in the purchase of the articles. "I don't withdraw one word of what I said," continued the Chairman. "Mrs. Gold went very close to getting into serious trouble."

Third Promise Broken.

C/I Butcher said that two of the promises made to the bench a month previously by the girl—that she would not enter public-houses or attend public dances—had been kept by her. She had not, however, kept her other promise not to associate with sailors. Since the previous hearing the girl had been seen on a few occasions with sailors and she persisted in remaining in the vicinity of the harbour.

"In her quest for money she has got into serious moral danger," he said. "Her parents have fought very hard for her. Only the strictest supervision is any good to this girl to save her from herself."

The father told the court that on 1st February he took his daughter to the police when she stayed out late at night. Otherwise she had behaved herself better in the past month.

Mr. A. Gibson, representing the Kent Education Committee, said that if the magistrates were intending to take a certain course with regard to the girl's future, he was instructed to ask for a fortnight's adjournment in order that necessary arrangements could be made.

After a short retirement the Chairman said the case would be adjourned for a fortnight on condition that the girl made and kept the same promises as before. When the proceedings were resumed he took it that Mr. Gibson would offer the court some concrete proposals.

Addressing the girl, Mr. Perry said "Your conduct will be scrutinised in this fortnight. Do not think you can go over the deep end again. You will be sorry if you do not behave yourself."

LOOTING MUST STOP

PRISON FOR BROADSTAIRS OFFENDERS

A suggestion that the attention of all ranks in the Army should be drawn weekly in orders to the seriousness of looting was made by the Recorder, Mr. Travers C. Humphreys, at Deal Quarter Sessions.

The Recorder had before him ten soldiers charged with looting.

He was not satisfied by the evidence of Army officers, said the Recorder, that the attention of all ranks had been called to the gravity and prevalence of looting.

Addressing the prisoners, Mr. Travers Humphreys said looting, which ranked with treachery, treason and murder, with death as the maximum penalty, had got to be stopped so that people living in the area and having to leave property behind them could feel some sense of security.

In connection with thefts from Cobo, Eastern-esplanade, Broadstairs, Frederick William Moreton (21), who pleaded guilty to three charges, was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour, Neil McMillan (24), nine months' hard labour, Douglas Richard Cook (20), nine months' hard labour, and George Ernest Alfred Watkins (21), against whom there were previous convictions, 18 months' hard labour.

An officer said he had no knowledge of the men having had it made plain to them that looting was a serious offence.

Sentence of nine months' hard labour was passed on Mervyn Ronald Hillier (21), who pleaded guilty to two charges of looting and two of housebreaking at the home of Mr. Francis Cobb, Park-avenue, Broadstairs, and L/Cpl. Sydney Thomas Henry Plant (35), who pleaded guilty to two charges of being an accessory before the fact, was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour.

Officer Takes the Blame.

Capt. C. Frederick, who gave the men good characters, said he was not prepared to say that the notice about looting had been published in orders during the past 18 months or that the men had heard the order read.

"In a large measure," said the officer, "I regard myself as being responsible for the downfall of these men in neglecting to provide them with a wireless set, which they could have had."

Sentence of six mnoths in the second division was passed on John Arthur Kellow (24), who pleaded guilty to receiving whiskey, rum and cigars, knowing them to have been stolen. On similar charges Albert Leslie Palmer (19) and John Joseph Riley (19) were bound over for two years. All three men pleaded not guilty to looting, storebreaking and larceny at Percy-avenue, Kingsgate, the home of Henry Alexander Burrell.

The jury returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of Alexander Sutherland (27), who denied looting and storebreaking with intent at Rimpton Court, Reading Street.

When Sutherland was found in the house by a police officer he stated that he lost his way in the black-out, could not find his billet, and broke into the house in order to have somewhere to sleep.

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Convoy —
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25 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

Sgt. E. E. Jarvis, R.F.A., of 34 Belmont-street, Ramsgate, was presented with the D.C.M. by Gen. Stokes at Woolwich recently. The award was bestowed for gallant conduct during heavy shell gas fire on the western front, when he carried men to the dressing station though wounded himself.

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Tpr. A. Neale, of St. George's-road, Broadstairs, has been killed in action in France while serving in the Lancers. An old boy of Holy Trinity School, he had served in the Army for 12 years and was an old employee of Mr. W. Hemstead.

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Lt. E. C. Allfree, of the firm of Messrs. Robinson and Allfree, Ramsgate, was home on leave from France during the week. He is in the R.G.A.

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A/B George Henry Hammond, formerly of the Post Office, Southwood-road, Ramsgate, was among those serving in H.M.S. Raglan, sunk while operating in the Dardanelles. He had a long period of service with the Navy to his credit.

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An old St. George's boy, Pte. C. R. Penney, King's Royal Rifles, has died of wounds received in action. He joined The Buffs at the age of 16.

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L/Cpl. L. Forwood, of St. George's-road, Ramsgate, is reported to be in an American hospital in France suffering from pleurisy. His father is also in France.

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Ex-Skipper R. W. Reading, of the Royal Naval Reserve (Trawler Reserve) has been killed in action. His widow, who lives at 10 Albert-street, Ramsgate, has heard that he died at sea and that his vessel was lost.

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Lt.-Col. S. H. Page, C.M.G., R.F.A., of Ramsgate, has been "mentioned" for valuable services in connection with the war.

50 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

MEMORIAL STONE LAID

The laying of the memorial stone of the first arch of the upper road, or Marine-drive, part of the Ramsgate front improvements, on Saturday, marked a most important stage in the progress of the works. That extremely difficult portion of the undertaking known as the Military-road has now been completed for some time and has well stood the test of wind and weather. Notwithstanding the frost and snow which prevailed for a good many weeks during the present winter, the preparations for work on the upper road have now been well advanced and for some time before the formal ceremony of laying the first stone of the highest of the arches, part of the brickwork of other arches had been placed in position.

A platform was erected adjacent to the Smack Boys' Home and the usual preparation made for "well and truly" laying the memorial stone. There was a good deal of bunting about and in brilliant sunshine which augured well for the success of the great scheme which is destined to do much for Ramsgate, a large concourse of people assembled on the Military-road to do honour to the occasion. The contractor (Mr. Denne) handed a silver trowel to the Mayor (Alderman W. P. Blackburn), who then laid the stone in the approved manner.

A.T.C. BIRTHDAY

PREPARING A CRUSHING DEFEAT

The second anniversary of the formation of the Thanet Squadron of the Air Training Corps was celebrated last week, when the members attended an impressive parade at Margate.

They were met at their headquarters, Pettman Central School, by the Mayor (Councillor F. J. Cornford), who inspected the squadron, which afterwards marched to the parish church, led by the squadron drum and fife band.

The Vicar (the Rev. K. Percival Smith) based his address on the story of David and Goliath. When David went out to meet Goliath, he said, his sling would have been useless without a keen eye, a steady hand and a stout heart. Those three things did not come to him suddenly—they had to be acquired. As a shepherd, always on the look out for wild beasts, his was an arduous life, but it enabled him to rise to great heights when he met the supreme test. In the same way the man in the air needed a keen eye, a steady hand and a stout heart, and these things had to be acquired. A man who went out armed with those fine qualities could never be defeated, even though he might be numbered among those who did not come back. If he did not come back it meant he had given everything he had to strike his blow against the Goliath of Evil.

In Their Hands.

Following the church service the squadron marched to Cecil-square, where the Commanding Officer (Flt.-Lt. R. W. Spratling) handed over the parade to Wg.-Cdr. D. F. B. Sheen, D.F.C. and Bar, commander of an R.A.F. station. An Australian, Wg.-Cdr. Sheen was one of the first pilots to shoot down a bomber at night.

During the Battle of Britain he was shot down over Canterbury and baled out when only 800ft. from the ground.

Telling the lads that the future of the A.T.C. was in their hands, Wg.-Cdr. Sheen said that during the last war the Royal Flying Corps gave the R.A.F. their traditions and it was up to them to form the traditions of the A.T.C. In the years to come they would have something to look back upon.

The Mayor said he had watched the growth of the unit with the pride of a citizen of Thanet. He congratulated the squadron committee on their work and said he was proud that the lads had responded. The A.T.C. was a great help in fitting the lads for their war-time task.

In the R.A.F. and Fleet Air Arm the cream of the country's manhood were performing great deeds every day and it would be a privilege and honour for the cadets to take their places in the services. They were slowly but surely bringing crushing defeat to the enemy.

After the Mayor's address the salute was taken by Wg.-Cdr. Sheen.

JANUARY GIFTS TO HOSPITAL

Annual subscriptions received by Ramsgate General Hospital during January amounted to £119 15s. 6d.

Donations received during the month included: Women's auxiliary of the Isle of Thanet Licensed Victuallers' Association, £5 5s.; Mrs. N. L. Allen, £2 2s.; Marks and Spencer Ltd., £1 4s.; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Foster (Margate), Mrs. A. C. Ritchie (Broadstairs), Mr. E. S. Sanders, Mrs. V. E. Winstanley (Bedford), £1 1s. each; Mr. S. C. Holthouse £1; Miss Edith Allnutt (Great Yeldham, Essex), Mr. Arthur Cates (Broadstairs) and Miss S. P. Oldreive (Broadstairs), 10s. each.

Contributory schemes brought in £143 5s. 5d. and box collections £1 13s. 11d.

Gifts in kind included bedsocks, flowers, magazines and silver paper.

MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES

Smn. George F. Smith, R.N., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Smith, of Northdown-road, St. Peter's, has been mentioned in despatches for continued devotion to duty.

He is an old boy of St. Peter's School and has been serving in the Royal Navy for 12 years. Both his father and grandfather served in the Navy and he has three brothers in the senior service.

His wife, son and daughter live in Northdown-road, St. Peter's.

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THE SHOW GOES ON

SHELLS DON'T WORRY TROOPERS

The Mayor of Ramsgate's Troopers Concert Party follow the famous tradition of the stage that "the show must go on."

Their undaunted spirit was put to a severe test on Wednesday evening, when the artistes—14 in all—went to entertain the troops in the Dover area.

The show had not long commenced when the British and German coastal batteries began a lively cross-Channel duel. The bombardment continued for about three-quarters of an hour and altogether about a hundred shells were fired.

Yet, through it all, the show went on. All the artistes were "up to scratch" and not a bit concerned about the bursting shells which occasionally shook the building. Diminutive Georgina, the youngest member of the troupe, summed up their feelings with the words "We don't mind a bit, you know."

The artistes were accompanied by the Mayoress (Mrs. Kempe) and the Mayor's secretary (Mrs. Peete).

IMPROMPTU TALENT

ODEON CONTEST FINALISTS

During Friday's programme at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, the manager, Mr. R. N. Paterson, appeared on the stage and announced an impromptu talent contest for the stage show an hour later.

The response was so great that the competition has been spread over to this Friday, when the finals will take place.

The artiste to be chosen as the most popular of the evening was Miss Gwen Taylor, of Ramsgate, who sang modern favourites to the piano accompaniment of Miss Edna Webb. C/M/M Frank Cox, R.N., well deserved his place as runner-up. His dumb show impersonation of a shop assistant serving a customer was cleverly put over. New to the stage, Acwm. Eileen Claw, W.A.A.F., who was on leave in the town, was rather nervous when she faced the mike but she quickly gained confidence and displayed a beautifully soft voice in numbers from musical comedy. She also qualified for the finals.

Mr. Ronald Coleman, who, although not the famous film star, realistically impersonated several of them, Gnr. W. J. Davis and a plucky 15-year-old Ramsgate girl were unlucky to be eliminated from the contest.

The stage show at the Odeon on 26th February will be presented entirely by members of the Royal Navy.

THEY LIKED RAMSGATE

CANADIAN SOLDIERS' VISIT

Eight Canadian soldiers, who last week toured Kent, were so impressed by the welcome extended to them at Ramsgate that they altered their itinerary in order to spend a night in the town.

Soldiers from overseas who are drafted to this country get few opportunities of observing more than their immediate surroundings so the Ministry of Information arranged for this party of eight, led by Sgt. Alfred Ernest Scoby, to see something of what is happening in Kent.

Having thoroughly enjoyed their tour—a welcome change from Army routine—these men will be able to write home to tell their relatives a little more about Britain's war effort and what the front-line county of Kent looks like.

The tour began on Tuesday with a visit to Dover, and Ramsgate was visited on Wednesday.

Most of the men were seeing England for the first time and it was a great thrill to them to be taken out into the Channel.

A visit was paid to Ramsgate's world-famous tunnel shelters and the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) was the host at a small luncheon party at Clarendon House.

The thanks of the party to the Mayor for his hospitality were extended by Miss Nina Haddon, Press Officer for the South-Eastern Region of the Ministry of Information.

The Mayor extended to the boys from Canada his customary warm welcome. Ramsgate was noted for the welcome which it extended to visitors and on August Bank Holiday before the war there were 300,000 of them. It was a tribute to the town and to the visitors that there was not a single case of drunkenness.

"Of course I know some people can drink a devil of a lot," said the Mayor, amid laughter. He hoped he would have the pleasure of meeting some of them after the war, when they would be able to "paint the town red."

"On behalf of the Canadian soldiers I have to thank you for your hospitality," said Sgt. Scoby. "This is certainly the happiest day we have yet had, so we have decided to come back to-night. We can see that Ramsgate is run by a good Mayor."

Other parts of the county visited by the soldiers included Canterbury, Rochester and Chatham.

LT. MORGAN WOUNDED

Lt. Reginald J. S. Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. S. Morgan, of Combe Martin, King's-avenue, Ramsgate, who was recently awarded the Military Cross, has been reported wounded in action while serving with The Buffs in North Africa.

No details of his injuries are available but his parents received a telegram from him on Wednesday stating that he had been transferred to a general hospital and that he was getting on O.K."

An old boy of St. George's Central School, Lt. Morgan was employed in the offices of Ramsgate Education Department before being appointed chief clerk to the Dover Education Department in June, 1939

AN AIRCRAFT WAS MISSING

ANXIETY OF MARGATE MOTHER

After the aircraft, in which he was serving as an air-gunner, had failed to return from a night raid early this month, Sgt. George Thomas Kennington, R.A.F., of Margate, has been reported missing.

He is the son of Mrs. Powell and the late Mr. A. Kennington, of 42 Helena-avenue.

An old boy of St. John's School, Sgt. Kennington, aged 29, joined the service in June, 1940. In just over a year he has had over 40 operational flights and has taken part in many major raids, including some on Cologne and Turin.

His wife and three children are living at Stratford.

Before the war Sgt. Kennington was employed as a baker's roundsman. His father was killed in the last war.

ALLAYING FEAR

RATE BURDEN AT MARGATE

Concern at the manner in which rates were being collected was expressed by Councillor S. W. Paul at Tuesday's meeting of Margate Town Council.

Councillor Paul said he would like an assurance that money was not being squeezed out of the people by threats of action in court. Many people in Margate at the present time, who before the war were in a state of affluence, were on the border-line of poverty. Some were exceedingly sensitive and would rather starve than face a court.

"I feel that if we threaten them with court action they will use money to pay their rates which they should use for their bodily sustenance," said Councillor Paul.

Alderman G. P. Hoare, chairman of the Finance Committee, said he could state with confidence that very generous consideration was given to the question of rate payments. Where people's income was so seriously depleted that to meet the rate demand would place them in a very impoverished position, they did not hesitate to give relief. In many cases total relief was granted to such people.

Councillor Mrs. Giles said there was an increasing liability against many people who had left their houses furnished. One person had told her it would be impossible to return to Margate after the war if the Council demanded the rates which had accumulated. Some clear policy was needed in respect of these people. They did not go away for pleasure—they were turned out of the town.

Councillor A. W. Thomson stressed that people should be told that there was an avenue through which they could obtain help and so allay their fears.

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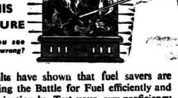

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ON SERVICE

News of Thanet Men and Women

Corn in Egypt!—or rather, Lemons in Ramsgate. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Redman, of 31 Effingham-street, have received a dozen of them. They came the other day from their son, Pte. Jack Redman, who is serving with a motor ambulance company of the R.A.M.C. in North Africa. So far three letters have arrived from Jack and they are full of exciting interest and humour. He had an eventful voyage out but over Christmas was not so lucky as some of the local lads, in fact he had to make do with "bully and hard tack." "Making fires and cooking is much more interesting than at home" he says. "We have to build our own fireplaces and ovens wherever we go and that sort of keeps us on the go all the time. But this kind of life suits me to a 'T'—plenty of fresh air and sunshine. All the same it will be a change to speak to someone, not in khaki, and be understood. The only time we can get sense out of these Arabs is when they want to sell or scrounge something. Eggs are very plentiful here." Jack is 24 years of age and came from South Wales with the family seven years ago. He has been in the Army since July, 1939, and previous to that was employed at Chislet Colliery.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Wood, of 2 Poplar-road, Ramsgate, have two sons serving in North Africa. Bert, who is 23 years of age, joined the Royal Engineers five years ago and previously worked for Messrs. Robinson and Allfree, solicitors, of Cavendish-street, Ramsgate. While at St. George's Central School he distinguished himself by setting up a record for the long jump with a distance of 17ft. 6ins. His brother Victor, aged 18, an old boy of Christ Church School, has been serving in the R.A.O.C. for two years. Their father had a long military career, enlisting in the Royal Sussex Regiment in 1887. He went to India two years later and returned to England in 1893. Later he fought in the Boer War and in the last Great War was in France with the Lancashire Fusiliers. He retired with the rank of Regimental Sergt.-Major.

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Gnr. Douglas Gerald Savage paid a visit to Ramsgate last week during a ten days' leave. Son of Mr. Douglas Savage, who formerly ran a furnishing business in High-street, Ramsgate, Doug is 22 years of age and an Old Ruymian. He has now been serving in the Queen's Own Worcestershire Hussars for 18 months and is at present stationed in the North of England. His father is continuing his old business in Derby with the assistance of his daughter Patricia.

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One of the leading lights of the Ramsgate Swimming Club, Charlie Busson, is stationed in the Midlands as a corporal in the Royal Air Force. An old scholar of St. George's Central School he was, before the war, a member of the staff of Ramsgate Public Library.

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Flt.-Sergt. John Liddle, of 2 Olive Grove, Trinity-place, Ramsgate, is experiencing an adventurous time as an observer in a Catalina. While in the R.A.F., in which he has served for three years, he has been to many parts of the world. During a recent leave in Ramsgate, John celebrated his 21st birthday. He is an old boy of Hereson School and was formerly employed by Messrs. Tomson and Wotton, the brewers. John has two brothers, both old Hornets, serving in the armed forces. Albert, aged 26, volunteered for the Royal Artillery over three years ago and is now a signaller in North Africa, while the other brother, Alfred (19) is a stoker in the Royal Navy, which he joined last October. Bert's wife is living in Ramsgate and has a twelve months' old baby.

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Acwm. Eileen Claw, W.A.A.F., of 4 Chilton-villas, Pegwell-road, Ramsgate, has been enjoying a nine days' leave in the town. On Friday she went to Ramsgate Odeon and sang her way to the third place in a talent contest. An old girl of St. George's Central School and a former Girl Guide, Eileen has been in the W.A.A.F. nearly nineteen months.

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Writing from India to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dawson, of 155 Margate-road, Ramsgate, Acmn. Maurice Dawson, R.A.F., says "Christmas here was not quite like being at home but it was very enjoyable and the dinner was great. It would have made you at home very envious to see the fruit there was on the tables, and the main item which each fellow enjoyed was a cake which was second to none and tasted exactly like mother's make. The speeches on Christmas Day here and on the radio filled us with expectation as to what is in store for us this year and the hope that next Christmas will see us all home again."

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"We have been fairly busy lately. . . Things are going pretty well here; let's hope it will soon all be over." These are extracts from a letter written by Sgt. Dennis Addington, R.A.F., from the Middle East to a former colleague on our technical staff. Sgt. Addington, who is an air-gunner, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Addington, of 4 Lawn Villas, Ramsgate, and his wife and young daughter are living in Yorkshire. The letter conveyed best wishes for the new year to all his friends, and "let's hope we'll be meeting again soon."

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In a letter to his sister, Mrs. H. R. Hubbell, wife of the Secretary of the Ramsgate Gas and Water Department, Ldg. Acm. C. S. Rogers, R.A.F.V.R., said he is quite fit and, as far as circumstances allow, happy. Ldg. Acm. Rogers, who has been in the Middle East about a year, was at one time a member of St. Luke's Bible Class, and took an active part in the football club. Ldg. Acm. Rogers is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Rogers, who lived in St. Luke's-road, Ramsgate. His father was for many years employed on the dredger at Ramsgate Harbour. Ldg. Acm. Rogers' home is in Leopold-road, Ramsgate, but his wife and daughter are now living in Cornwall. Before joining up he was employed by the Isle of Thanet Electric Supply Co.

Four of the eight sons of Mrs. Sharp, who lives at 3 Chandos-terrace, Boundary-road, Ramsgate, are serving in the forces, and another is a prisoner of war. The eldest, Pte. Wilfrid C. Sharp, aged 36, is in North Africa with the Army Catering Corps, having been employed in peacetime as a chef by a Ramsgate restaurateur. Ernest, aged 29, the fourth son and an old boy of Hereson School, is a sergeant in the Royal Berkshire Regiment in which he has been serving abroad for the past eight years. Before taking up a military career he worked at Chislet Colliery. Next in age comes 25 years old Leslie, also and old Hereson boy, who was taken prisoner before Dunkirk while with the Buffs, and he is now in a German camp, working on a farm. The sixth son, Trooper Sidney Sharp (23), is serving with the Royal Dragoons in the Middle East but his mother has had no news of him since September. Dick, aged 21, now engaged on Government work, is waiting to enter the R.A.F., which service his 18 year old brother, Edward, formerly a laundry van driver, recently joined. Both Sidney and Edward are Old St. Georgians. The second and third sons, Jack (35) and Frank (33) are working at Chislet Colliery, and there are two married daughters, one of whom is engaged on munitions work.

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Eddie Sharp has sent home an interesting photo of a group of six Ramsgate fellows, including himself, taken at a coastal town. In the picture there are, besides himself, three airmen and two sailors. One of the airmen, Acm 2 Ernest Mackins, joined the R.A.F. last November as a volunteer having worked previous to that for Messrs. Page and Sons, the wine merchants, and Messrs. Sharp's Dairies. A son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mackins, of 41 Chapel-road, St. Lawrence, Ernie is an old boy of St. Lawrence and Ellington Schools and is 18 years of age. Before joining up he worked as a voluntary messenger in Civil Defence and prior to taking up those duties was a member of the A.T.C. He had the good fortune to get a recent leave at the same time as his sister, Winifred, who is a private in the A.T.S. An old St. George's girl, she is 22 years old and has been in the service for a year-and-a-half as a telephonist and spotter with an "ack ack" unit. Her fifteen year old brother, Reg, is a member of the 4th Cadet Battalion, The Buffs. Their father served in the Navy in the last war and is now employed by the Isle of Thanet Electric Supply Co., having formerly been a tram driver.

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The other airmen in the picture are 2nd Air Mechanic David Hopkins, only son of Mrs. Thomas, of 20 Dumpton Park-drive, and Acm. 2 Reginald George Brockman, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Brockman, of 80 Margate-road. David celebrates his 19th birthday on 1st March and is an old boy of Hereson School. A member of the Holy Trinity troop of Boy Scouts he joined the R.A.F. last November. Reginald Brockman, an old St. Georgian, is 18 and was a member of the A.T.C. before entering the R.A.F. in December. Employed by the Southern Railway he worked in the goods office at Canterbury West station.

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Sig. Albert Cavell, R.N., one of the two sailors in the photo, has just been on leave to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cavell, at 2 Eagle-hill. Eighteen years old he has been serving since September and is an Old St. Georgian. Mrs. Cavell has two other sons in the armed forces—Ldg. Seaman Sidney Phillpott, R.N. and Charles Phillpott, who is a cook in the Royal Artillery. They are 37 and 41 years of age respectively and Sid, who has been in the Navy for 21 years, was educated at Lillian-road School. Charlie served with the R.A. in the last war and his wife now lives in King-street. The second son, Fred Phillpott, aged 39, is a drill instructor in the Ramsgate N.F.S. He, too, is married and resides in Boundary-road.

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Tel. Maurice Frank Dines, the other sailor, joined the senior service just before Christmas and is now at a college in the north. He is the 19-year-old son of Mr. F. O. Dines, newsagent, of St. Luke's-avenue.

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A cook in the Royal Navy, Bob Garwood has just spent a leave at his home, 51 St. George's-road, Ramsgate. Bob is 26 and old boys of Hereson School will remember his football prowess—he gained a place in the Ramsgate Schoolboys team.

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Formerly proprietor of a Margate boarding establishment, Sergt. Allen R. Haley, R.A., is now a sergeant instructor at a school for wireless operators. A member of the orignal Margate Territorial Battery, he was in hospital with scarlet fever when they sailed for the Middle East.

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Gnr. Alfred Fagg, R.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Fagg, of 32 Upton-road, Broadstairs, has been stationed only a few hundred yards from the shores of the Mediterranean and has enjoyed bathes in the sea on warmer days. The Rector of Broadstairs (the Rev. C. H. Bailey) has received a letter from him and also one from Peter Chase, formerly of John-street, who is training as a radio-operator and navigator with the R.A.F. in Canada.

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Flying-Officer Jack A. Boucher, D.F.M., R.A.F., son of Mr. S. Boucher, the Broadstairs Librarian, is making satisfactory progress after injuries received in a recent flying accident. Last year Jack was awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal for gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy at Brest. At that time he was a sergeant, flying as navigator, and his aircraft was one of those which attacked the battle cruisers at Brest in daylight. They bombed the target from 1,000 feet in spite of intense "flak" and the explosion of a shell wounded Sergt. Boucher in the face and eyes. Although suffering severe pain he directed his pilot back to this country.

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An old boy of St. Peter's School and formerly a choirboy at the parish

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LEGACY OF SALARY INCREASES

£1,000 A YEAR TO SUPPLEMENT MARGATE SUPERANNUATION FUND

Increases in the salaries of officials have upset the balance of Margate Corporation superannuation fund.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Council it was reported that an actuarial report showed that there would be a deficiency on the fund amounting to £21,000 in five years' time, and it was recommended that £965 a year should be paid into the fund from the rates for a period of 40 years in order to rectify the position.

Alderman W. C. Redman said he was surprised when he read the report, for he recollected that they were told that after the first two years the superannuation scheme would be self-supporting. Presumably the deficiency had arisen since the last valuation five years ago and was due to war conditions. He asked, however, whether the position was caused by any action on the part of the Council in dealing with pensions. He wondered whether they had done wrong in increasing their liability by adding several years of service to an official when he retired and thereby increasing his pension.

Alderman G. P. Hoare, chairman of the Finance Committee, said it was a very involved matter, and even the Borough Treasurer confessed that the result of the valuation was a surprise to him. When the previous valuation was made there was a substantial balance in the fund and there still was to-day. It was not a question of deficiencies to-day but at the end of the next five years period. The deficiency was mainly due to the fact that salaries had been increased, thereby involving a greater sum to be anticipated for pensions in years to come. It had nothing whatever to do with the amount of pensions which had been granted.

The Deputy Borough Treasurer (Mr. E. Wild) said the deficiency was caused by an increase in the level of remunerations of officers and servants, and a reduction in the estimated interest yield of investments. The balance of the superannuation fund on 31st March last was £96,120, which had been accumulated since 1926, when the scheme was inaugurated.

In reply to a question, the Deputy Treasurer said the interest yield was £3 8s. per cent., against the estimate of £3 10s.

Alderman Redman said he was not satisfied. They had nearly £100,000 in the fund, and yet they had got to supplement it by nearly £1,000 for 40 years.

The Town Clerk said the position was unavoidable. They were compelled to have an actuarial valuation every five years, and must abide by the actuary's report. It might be that when the next report was received it would show a surplus, although it was hardly likely.

Councillor A. W. Thomson urged that a close watch should be kept on the securities with a view to money being re-invested at a better rate of interest.

After further discussion the Mayor remarked "The fact seems to remain that we cannot do anything about it and must accept it."

RE-OCCUPIED A CARAVAN

A FORTNIGHT'S GRACE

At the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday, George Berry, of Camden-road, Reading Street, St. Peter's, was summoned for contravening a clearance order which provided that a caravan in which he was living should be vacated.

Mr. E. F. Owen, Clerk to Broadstairs Council, who prosecuted, said a clearance order in respect of the caravan was made in May, 1937. The caravan in question was then occupied by Samuel Berry, defendant's father, and a notice concerning the order was served on him when defendant was living with him. In due course Mr. Berry, sen., moved to a house in Old Green-road which the Council built for re-housing the caravan dwellers. When the father died defendant gave up the key of the house. He was away from the district for a considerable time, but on 2nd December last the Sanitary Inspector found he was occupying the caravan. Although the position was explained to him he continued in occupation.

Frank Stanley Burrow, Sanitary Inspector to the Council, said he saw defendant at the caravan on 2nd December and he said he did not know he was contravening an order by going back there. The next day witness delivered a letter to him, explaining the position, and as he could not read he read it to him. He then said he understood the position and would make an attempt to get out. He had since said that his aunt was trying to get a place for him.

Defendant said he was a single man and his aunt was trying to get lodgings for him. He was doing farm work near Sittingbourne last year, and slept in a shack, which was not good enough for the winter. When his father died and his sister joined the forces he was stranded. He was now waiting until March, when he could return to land work.

Mr. Owen said there was no desire to press for a penalty at that stage, and suggested that the case might be adjourned to give defendant an opportunity of vacating the caravan.

"If he can stretch things sufficiently long enough by prevarication," added Mr. Owen. "I think he will wait until the finer weather comes in the spring and then go away."

The Chairman (Mr. W. Tomlin) announced that the case would be adjourned for a fortnight, and said if defendant moved out in the meantime he would hear nothing more. "If you don't," he added, "we shall have to deal with you as you deserve."

Savings.—National Savings in Ramsgate for the week ended 6th February amounted to £4,120, comprising £2,296 deposited in the Post Office Savings Bank, £1,154 in Savings Certificates and £670 in Defence Bonds.

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church, Reginald Dobson has gained his wings as a pilot in the R.A.F.

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Drummer F. Stringer, of Birchington, sends greetings on behalf of Thanet men serving with the Buffs in Malta to the Mayor of Margate (Councillor F. J. Cornford). The names mentioned in the letter are those of C/Q/M/S. Glenn, Corpl. Lawrence, Corpl. Death, Lce Corpl. Richardson, Drummer Love, Ptes. Wood and Clark (Margate), Pte. Watmore (Westgate) and Lce. Corpl. Horn (Minster).

WITH OUR FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST

CHECKING UP FRUITS OF VICTORY

By a Military Correspondent

Supplies and equipment of all kinds, abandoned by Rommel in his hasty retreat, are still streaming steadily back to base depots.

It will take some time yet before the vehicles, guns, tanks, rifles, telephones and other supplies which the Axis had accumulated for their march into Egypt are properly sorted and classified. But enough captured equipment can be seen at this big base depot, which is only one of many, to say that several million pounds is a very conservative estimate of the value of stores the Axis forces had to leave behind.

In one shop devoted entirely to optical instruments are hundreds of surveying levellers, theodolites, range-finders, gunsights, direction finders, map and compass sets. Shelf after shelf is lined with them.

This beautiful ivory-plated instrument, with eye-pieces, dial-gauges and delicate adjusting screws, made by La Filotecnica, Milan, can have cost hardly less than £100.

The racks on which lies these Zeiss and San Georgio rangefinders at £100 apiece have been cleared time and time to make room for new deliveries from the desert, but still they come in.

The Germans have studied well the art of war. Some of the captured instruments are unfamiliar, but none of this material is wasted. If not directly re-issued to Allied and Empire troops, the components can be used for re-assemblies.

An Expert Armourer.

L/Cpl. A. Rue, of Kirbky in Ashfield, Notts, is an expert armourer. It is his job to pass the barrels of captured and serviced rifles. He forgets how many Italian short rifles with their attached bayonet which is hinged on the principle of a penknife blade to the barrel, he has inspected. These rifles come into this depot rusted, woodwork splintered, covered in sand. They go out again lubricated, with glistening metal and butts, in perfect working order.

In this shop where British and Arab craftsmen are busily at work, all the light enemy guns are handled. There are hundreds of Fiat 8 mm. medium and Breda 8 mm. M.Gs., Spandau general purpose, and other guns ready for re-issue.

The German 20 mm. a-tank rifle is the heaviest weapon fired from the shoulder. Two men can just lift it.

The crack of Axis guns being tested on the ranges mingles with the clang of tools as Lt. W. C. Pearson, R.A.O.C., whose home is at Dover, tells me of the output of his armourer's shop. £100,000 a week is, he thinks, an under-estimate. As to the quality of Axis weapons he says: "The light M.Gs. are not generally as good as ours, and their rifles definitely not so good.

"But there is no sign of the Axis economising in metals."

Pte. T. Lindover, of Selkirk, is not a linguist, but his repertory of Axis gun-types as he proudly indicates the stacks of cases of serviced guns awaiting re-issue is amazing. He knows German, Italian and Czecho-Slovakian gun names and calibres off by heart. "I have been on this job of packing off guns for about 18 months," he said. "It keeps me busy, I've got 14,000 captured rifles to get out just now."

The Big Stuff.

Lined up in neat rows in a huge enclosure is the big stuff—37 mm., 50 mm., 47/32, 150 mm., 155 mm. (French) and, of course, the well-known 88 mm. Here are heavy guns, dual purpose guns, howitzers, A.A. guns, products of German, Italian, French and Czech factories. Some of them have never been fired, few of them cost less than £1,000 a piece and one German monster can have cost little less than £5,000. Even the German short-barrelled mountain howitzers are represented, while the Italian 90/53 is there complete with its truck mounting. Flanges, attached to the truck, are dropped down to support it while the gun is being fired.

But even so this gives but a fractional idea of the losses inflicted on the Axis by the Eighth Army. Two hundred tons of Italian uniform serge came in one day. One thousand pairs of captured boots are serviced every day. One store is a wireless enthusiast's paradise—collapsible metal aerials (one aerial winds out by means of a crank to 40ft., like a giant telescope), tank receivers and transmitters by the score, thousands of reels of cable and lead wire, signallers' sets, linesmen's kits, telephones, dynamos, laryngophones and innumerable components.

H.Q. switchboards for 40 lines were captured complete. Some of the wireless sets are the last word in technique, and extremely expensive to make.

S/Q/M/S D. Finnigan, of Kilwinning, Ayrshire, who handles these is an enthusiast for wireless. Only an enthusiast could cope so successfully with the huge quantities of material captured.

Out in the desert, in minefields, abandoned dumps, and off the beaten track, are thousands of tons more of material—including vehicles, ammunition and tanks.

Rommel has made us a fine present. We can and are re-using his abandoned equipment. It has saved us a lot of shipping space. The Germans forged the weapons which now for the first time are being used against them.

SECOND MINSTER ACCIDENT DEATH

The death took place at Redhill Hospital on Sunday of Spr. Samuel Walter Slingsby, aged 40, Royal Canadian Engineers, who was injured when two Army lorries collided at Monkton-road, Minster.

An inquest was held at Ramsgate recently on Spr. Elgin McIvor, who received fatal injuries in the same accident.

RAMSGATE SOLDIER'S DEATH

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. T. Woodward, of Sunnyside, Prince's-avenue, Ramsgate, in the loss of one of their sons, Pte. Percy Woodward, who has been reported killed in action.

Pte. Woodward was serving in The Buffs and had been with the regiment since the outbreak of war. He fought in France and was in the Dunkirk evacuation.

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LIGHT AND SHADE

FIFTH C.E.M.A. CONCERT

Evidently Ramsgate people must have missed the January C.E.M.A. concert, which was omitted for weather reasons, for the Congregational Hall was filled for the fifth performance on Thursday.

One cannot pretend, of course, that Miss Sybil Eaton could conjure a Griller Quartet every month, but variety and change not only whets the appetite, but gives keenness and refreshment to the mind—the main object of the organisation.

A sprinkling of uniforms in the audience added to the enjoyment of the evening and if one may be permitted to say so, as far as the lady performers were concerned the eyes had as much of a feast as the ears.

Miss Kathleen Moorhouse began the concert with some violoncello solos and a lovely sonata by an English composer, Henry Eccles, on a 'cello which was made 200 years ago. Her graceful ease disguising a beautiful technique, gave this lovely, flowing, tranquil music all the charm of the 18th century. In an arrangement of old French folk tunes, her delicate tone made the well-known lullaby, "Do, Do, l'enfant, do," a thing of infinite tenderness and peace. As a contrast Manuel de Falla's "Fire Dance" gave us a realistic maddening idea of superstition and evil spirits. She finished her group of solos with a minuet of Beethoven from the Sonata in E flat, op. 31, which was arranged by the pianist, Mr. Maurice Jacobson.

Mr. Jacobson, in an amusing little talk, confessed that he had more fun than his colleagues because they knew what they were going to sing or play, but he only decided on his programme when he saw the piano—in this case a charming baby grand. Accordingly, he played C minor and A major preludes of Chopin, an amusingly realistic musical box by Liadoff, and Debussy's "Clair de Lune," keyboard painting, as the pianist aptly described it. Schubert's A flat "Impromptu" was the piece de resistance, played with all the zest and brilliance of a very accomplished pianist.

Miss Kathleen Ferrier possesses that very rare thing, a real contralto voice. Her deep notes reminded one of the vibrating sonorities of the 'cello. She has a wide range and great powers of amplification. Her voice filled the hall in Hugo Wolf's "Secrecy," "Fairy Jack" by Stanford, "To Music" by Schubert, "The Gardener" by Hugo Wolf, and "Kitty, my love, will you marry me?" All delighted her audience. One would have liked to hear her sing Gluck's "Orpheus."

Miss Eaton, pressed for time, made a much shorter speech than usual, but she still loves Ramsgate. She has secured the services of the Philharmonic Harp Trio for the March concert.

The Rev. D. Llewellyn Williams, Superintendent Minister of the Ramsgate Methodist Circuit, proposed a vote of thanks to the players.

RAMSGATE

Estimates for Removal or Storage.—Hardings, 3 Staffordshire-street, Turner-street, Ramsgate.

Music Club.—The monthly concert of Ramsgate Music Club is to be given at St. George's Parish Hall, Broad-street, on Thursday, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Whist Drives held every evening at Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-place, at 7 p.m., in aid of the Red Cross Fund. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Whist Drives every Thursday at 3 p.m., at the Gymnasium, Clarendon House, Ramsgate, in aid of Red Cross Fund and Mayor's Services Comforts Fund alternately. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

You cannot do better than take anything you have to sell to an old-established firm. Prosser and Newbery buy old gold jewellery, silver plate, glass, cutlery, etc. Licensed valuers. 47 and 48 Queen-street, Ramsgate.

Ambulance Cadet Ball.—The annual ball of the Cadet Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade is to be held at the West Cliff Theatre, Ramsgate, on Wednesday, 24th February. Music will be provided by an R.A.F. band of ten musicians, prizes are being offered for competitions, novelty dances, etc., and there will be fully licensed bars. The dance prizes are on view in the windows of Messrs. Alfred Olby Ltd., King-street. Further particulars will be found in our advertisement columns.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

The PREPAID charges for these announcements are 1d. per word (minimum: Births and Deaths 1/6, Marriages, Return Thanks and In Memoriam 2/6).

BIRTHS

Price.—7th February, at The Bungalow, Hertford-road, Margate, the wife of 2nd Lieutenant William Price, of a son.

Smith.—5th February, at St. Audrey's Nursing Home, Stafford, to Grace (née Hancock), wife of Gnr. Harold Smith, R.A., the gift of a daughter. Home address: Rosedene, 294 Margate-road, Ramsgate.

MARRIAGES

Lilwall—Roberts.—29th January, in London, Lt. B. J. A. Lilwall, of Craycombe, London-road, Ramsgate, to Ethel Roberts, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Rock Ferry, Cheshire.

DEATHS

Holbrook.—11th February, Ada Holbrook, wife of H. G. Holbrook, of Ramsgate, aged 70 years.

Jupp.—6th February, Mary Elizabeth Jupp, of 14 Alfred Cottages, Hardres-street, Ramsgate.

Postle.—7th February, at Pulham, Norfolk, Emma Maria Postle, late of Margate.

Solly.—15th February, at 98 Coleman-crescent, Ramsgate, Harriet Ann Solly, aged 87 years, a dearly-loved mother and grandmother. Funeral Friday afternoon, Ramsgate Cemetery.

Watson.—11th February, Cyril Francis Herbert Watson, of Birchington, aged 64 years.

Whitehead.—6th February, at 4 Caxton-road, Margate, Thomas John Whitehead, aged 75 years.

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BROADSTAIRS

Help From Away.—Of a total of £218 1s. 1d. donated to the Free-Will Offering Fund of St. Peter's Church during 1942, £128 came from absent parishioners.

Mothers' Union.—Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth, wife of the Vicar of Ramsgate, gave an address at the monthly meeting of the Broadstairs branch of the Mothers' Union held at the Council Schools on Wednesday.

War Savings.—A sum of £1,435 was invested in war savings in Broadstairs and St. Peter's during the week ended 6th February. The amount comprised savings certificates £195, defence bonds £5, 3 per cent. savings bonds £700, and deposits in the Post Office Savings Bank £535.

Boys' Club.—A boys' club which has just been formed in St. Peter's is to meet every Monday evening in the Old Schoolroom, Tippledore-lane. The Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith and Mr. B. J. Brown (treasurer of the St. Peter's Old Boys' Club) are joint chairmen, with Mr. Marchant as secretary and Mr. Ingleton treasurer.

The Supreme Effort.—"Let your watchword for the future for both work and worship be 'all out all the time'," says the Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith, priest-in-charge, in the February issue of St. Peter's Wartime News-Sheet. "It is obvious to all," he states, "that the Allied Nations are gathering for a supreme effort."

Old Comrades' Whist.—The prizes were presented by Mrs. G. Partridge at the weekly whist drive of the Broadstairs branch of the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association, held at the Clarendon Hotel. Mr. W. Lawrence was M.C. and the winners were Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Buck, Mrs. Strevens, Mrs. Whitehead, Mrs. Partridge, Mr. H. K. Pallant, Pte. Reid and Mr. R. Lawrence.

Good Templary.—A beetle drive caused plenty of fun after the usual business at the weekly meeting of the Star of the East Lodge, I.O.G.T., held at the Good Templar Hall, Broadstairs, on Tuesday. Reports of the juvenile party and the re-opening of the Bradstow Senior Temple were presented and goodwill messages included one from the Border Excelsior Lodge, Carlisle, sent by Mr. J. Stewart, P.D.C.T., North and Mid-Cumberland District Lodge. Mrs. Isaacs conducted the intercession service, light refreshments were served and the winners of the beetle drive were Mrs. N. McCabe and Mr. E. W. Hunt.

ANSWER WAS A LEMON

D (Ramsgate) Coy., 6th Batt., Kent Home Guard, last week held a competition in aid of the British Red Cross and St. John War Organisation.

The prize was contained in a sealed box and the competition realised £3 10s. 6d.

When the box was opened the answer was—a lemon.

MINSTER

Funeral of Mrs. A. Rootes.—The funeral took place at Minster Cemetery last week of Mrs. Alice Rootes, who passed away at her home, 4 Percy-cottages, Durlock, Minster, at the age of 64 years. Mrs. Rootes, who came to Minster from Ashford 20 years ago, lost her husband, a farm labourer, in 1927. She was for many years a member of the Salvation Army Home League. The funeral service was conducted by the Vicar of Minster (Canon A. W. MacMichael), the mourners being Mrs. C. Wilmshurst, Mrs. A. Burville and Mrs. W. Smith (daughters), Miss K. Steadman (sister) and Mrs. W. Smith.

Car Overturns.—Driven by Harold Frank Harlow, of Brockley-road, Margate, a van belonging to Messrs. Vye and Son overturned in Tothill-street, Minster, on Tuesday afternoon. The driver swerved in order to avoid a cyclist and the van then mounted the kerb, knocked down a fence, and returned to the road, where it overturned. Harlow received injuries to the right arm, and Eric Vincent Gordon Ralph, aged 15, of Salmestone-rise, Margate, who was also riding in the van, sustained bruises to the face and hands and the left leg. Both were taken to Ramsgate General Hospital but were not detained.

Mr. Edwin George Friend.—A bellringer and member of the choir of St. Mary's Church, Minster, for over 30 years, Mr. Edwin George Friend, of 2 Church-view, Station-road, Minster, who passed away at Margate Hospital at the age of 69, was buried at Minster Cemetery last week. Together with his wife, Mr. Friend was evacuated from his home, St. Denys, Freeman's-road, Minster, to Gloucestershire in 1940, but returned to the home of his daughter when his wife died about a year ago. Mr. Friend was formerly a gardener and had lived in Minster for 46 years. The interment was preceded by a service at the parish church conducted by the Vicar (Canon A. W. MacMichael).

MARGATE

A.T.C. Football.—A football match between Margate A.T.C. and a Royal Artillery XI at Pettman Central School ground resulted in a 3—3 draw. The cadets put the ball into the Artillery goal for the fourth time as the final whistle was blowing but the goal was not allowed. The A.T.C first table tennis team defeated Margate Old Centrals by 13 games to 12 in a match at the Old Centrals' Club and the second team won by 18 games to seven when they were entertained by Margate Youth Club.

MANSTON

Airman Fined.—A fine of 5s. was imposed by Ramsgate magistrates on Monday on Acm. William Alexander Luetchford, R.A.F., who wrote pleading guilty to committing an offence contrary to public decency in High-street, Manston, on 27th January. The case was proved by S/C H. W. Smith.